



## Showcase Australia

The Biometrics Institute is proud to present its key government event, **Showcase Australia 2025**. This one-day conference will explore government and user policies, developments in biometric safeguards, recent research findings, and developments in technological innovation to give delegates the tools and information needed to implement and promote ethical and effective biometrics.

Key focus points for this year's event include:

- Updates on the Australian Government Digital ID Act (AGDIS)
- Digital identity and verifiable credentials
- Biometrics and AI
- Facial recognition technology
- Cybersecurity
- Biometrics and privacy

## Why you should attend

- Engage** Take advantage of the opportunity to engage directly with key policy- and decision-makers and benefit from their expert opinion
- Learn** Listen to how others have utilised biometrics to improve service deliverables
- Connect** Meet other biometric users and connect with leading technology providers

## Sponsors

We wish to thank the below member organisations for their support of **Showcase Australia**.

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## Wednesday 26 November 2025

08:30 Registration and arrival coffee

### Session one: Setting the scene

Session moderator: *Stephen Gee, Director, Biometrics Institute*

09:00 **Welcome by the Chair and housekeeping**

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09:05 **Welcome by the Biometrics Institute**

*Isabelle Moeller, Chief Executive, Biometrics Institute*

09:15 **Keynote address: Digital identity and biometrics in the post-quantum world**

*Sushmita Ruj, Associate Professor, Institute for Cybersecurity, University of New South Wales*

### Session two: Facial recognition technology

Session moderator: *Terry Aulich, Head of the Privacy Expert Group, Biometrics Institute*

09:30 **The regulation and use of biometric processing in New Zealand: the new Biometric Processing Privacy Code 2025; and insights from the Foodstuffs NI Facial Recognition Trial**

*Liz MacPherson, Deputy Privacy Commissioner, Office of the Privacy Commissioner of New Zealand*

09:45 **Findings from the Risk Management in FRT Workshop**

*Terry Aulich, Head of the Privacy Expert Group, Biometrics Institute*

09:55 Questions and discussion

10:10 Morning break

### Session three: Digital identity and verifiable credentials

Session moderator: *Brett Feldon, Head of the Digital Identity Group, Biometrics Institute*

10:40 **Platinum sponsor: Person-to-credential binding: A year in review**

*Andrew Hughes, Vice President Global Standards, Facetec*



11:00 **Update on the Identity Verification Service**

*Claire Major, Director, Identity Matching Services, Attorney General's Department*

11:15 **Digital ID: A myID case study**

*Ben Foster, Assistant Commissioner, Digital Identity Services, Australian Taxation Office*

11:30 **Building trust: How Service NSW ensures biometric reliability and compliance**

*Leo Venturi, Principal Product Manager for Biometrics, Service NSW*

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11:45 **Panel discussion: Digital ID and verifiable credentials**  
Moderator: *Brett Feldon, Head of the Digital Identity Group, Biometrics Institute*

Panellists:

**Gold sponsor:** *Julien Lefebvre, Managing Director, LMC Digital*

*Ben Foster, Assistant Commissioner, Digital Identity Services, Australian Taxation Office*

*Luke Stasiuk, Director, Digital Identity Project, Services Australia*

*Matt Sedgwick, Assistant Secretary, Strategy and Policy, Digital ID, Department of Finance*

*Nik MacDonald-Washburn, Principal Advisor, Pou Ārahi Māori Advisory Unit, Department of Internal Affairs (New Zealand)*



12:45 Lunch

#### [Session four: Australian Government Digital ID System \(AGDIS\)](#)

Session moderator: *Stephen Gee, Director, Biometrics Institute*

14:15 **AGDIS: Update from the Department of Finance**

*Matt Sedgwick, Assistant Secretary, Strategy and Policy, Digital ID, Department of Finance*

14:30 **AGDIS: Update from the Treasury**

*Naomi Gilbert, Assistant Secretary, Data Standards Body, Commonwealth Treasury*

14:45 **AGDIS and Digital ID: Transparency, trust and the ACCC's role**

*Daniel Ramos, General Manager, Policy and Regulation, Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC)*

15:00 Questions and discussion

15:15 Afternoon break

#### [Session five: Biometrics and emerging trends](#)

Session moderator: *Stephen Gee, Director, Biometrics Institute*

15:45 **Gold sponsor: Face recognition for the ages**

*Terry Hartmann, Vice President Asia Pacific, Cognitec Systems*



16:00 **Responsible AI governance and biometrics**

*Eloise Leaver, Manager, Industry Growth, National AI Centre, Department of Industry, Science and Resources*

16:15 **Working in partnership with Māori on biometrics and identity**

*Nik MacDonald-Washburn, Principal Advisor, Pou Ārahi Māori Advisory Unit, Department of Internal Affairs (New Zealand)*

16:30 **Good practice spotlight: The Biometrics Institute's Procurement Guide**

*Brett Feldon, Head of the Digital Identity Group, Biometrics Institute*

16:40 Questions and discussion

16:55 **Closing remarks**

17:00 **Close of conference**

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## Location

Hotel Realm. 18 National Circuit, Barton ACT 2600

## Registration Fees

(Listed prices are inclusive of GST)

User member: A\$650

User non-member: A\$850

Supplier member: A\$1,020

Supplier non-member: A\$1,220

Academic subscriber: A\$290

Academic non-subscriber: A\$355

(Please note that the academic rate is for professionals – lecturers, full-time researchers, academics – for subscribers and non-subscribers.)

Students – A\$235

For registration details, see the [Showcase Australia webpage](#).

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## Biometrics Institute membership

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